



NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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NORTH DAKOTA

(North Dakota) Oil around flooded well believed to be contained. Crews placed containment booms around a flooded Zavanna oil well March 14 near the confluence of the Missouri and Yellowstone rivers near Trenton, North Dakota, after oil leaked from a tank which contained 1,386 gallons of oil and breached the dike. North Dakota Department of Health officials believe the oil was contained and the company continues to monitor wells in the area. http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/429501/group/News/

(North Dakota) North Dakota Oil Train Crash Cleanup Almost Done. Cleanup of an oil train derailment on the outskirts of a small southeastern North Dakota town "is all but complete," a state health official said Wednesday. http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/north-dakota-oil-train-crash-cleanup-22975545

(Fargo) Man pleads guilty to threatening Fargo synagogue. A man pleaded guilty in federal court Monday to threatening a synagogue federal prosecutors said. http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/429663/group/homepage/

REGIONAL

Nothing Significant to Report

NATIONAL

(National) Target says it declined to act on early alert of cyber breach. Target Corp. stated March 13 that security software detected potentially malicious activity that led to the breach of 40 million payment card records and 70 million customer records but that its staff decided not to take immediate action. The company stated that it is investigating past practices to improve security. http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/03/13/us-target-breach-idUSBREA2C14F20140313

(National) Man arrested at Canadian border accused of trying to join Islamic extremists. A California man who spoke of wanting to bomb the Los Angeles subway system was arrested near the Canadian border in Washington state and

charged with attempting to travel to Syria to fight alongside Islamic extremists, federal prosecutors said Monday.

http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/world/man-arrested-at-canadian-border-accused-of-trying-to-join-islamic-extremists/article17538811/

INTERNATIONAL

(Ukraine/Russia) Ukraine crisis: Russia lawmakers vote to fold in Crimea; Kiev defiant. Russia's lower house of parliament overwhelmingly approved a treaty Thursday to annex the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea from Ukraine, prompting tougher sanctions from the United States.

http://www.cnn.com/2014/03/20/world/europe/ukraine-crisis/

(International) Pwn2Own 2014 ends, \$850k distributed to successful hackers.

The second day of the Pwn2Own 2014 security competition March 14 resulted in two vulnerabilities in Chrome being discovered, in addition to vulnerabilities in Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, and Adobe Flash that were revealed March 13. A total of \$850,000 was awarded to security researchers over the course of the competition. http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16524

(International) US announces transition of oversight over Internet's domain name system. The U.S. Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) announced its intention to transition oversight of Internet domain name functions to global stakeholders. The NTIA requested that the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) convene stakeholders and develop a transition proposal as a first step. http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16530

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(National) Watchdog faults U.S. Justice Dept on mortgage fraud prosecutions.

The U.S. Department of Justice's Inspector General concluded that the department and FBI did not adequately prioritize mortgage fraud cases and found significant deficiencies in the department's ability to accurately report its efforts to fight mortgage fraud. http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/03/13/usa-justice-mortgagefraud-idUSL2NOMAOTB20140313

(International) BofA, Citigroup, Credit Suisse sued by FDIC over Libor rigging. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation filed lawsuits on behalf of 38 failed banks against 16 major international banks for allegedly colluding to manipulate interest-rate benchmarks, including the London Interbank Offered Rate (Libor) between 2007 and 2011. http://www.businessweek.com/news/2014-03-14/bofa-citigroup-credit-suisse-sued-by-fdic-over-libor-rigging

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(Maryland) Police investigate 11 burglaries after Odenton apartment fire.

Burglars stole firearms and electronics from at least 11units at the Apartments at 7 Oaks in Odenton March 12-13 after residents were vacated and the complex was secured following a March 7 fire that damaged the building. http://www.wbaltv.com/news/police-investigate-burglaries-after-apartment-fire/24968922

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(National) Schneider Electric recalls Square D-brand F and K frame circuit breakers due to fire hazard. Schneider Electric announced a recall of around 28,400 Square D-branded F and K frame circuit breakers March 18 because the breakers can fail to trip when an overload occurs, presenting a fire, burn, and shock hazard. Source: http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/Schneider-Electric-Recalls-Square-D-Brand-F-and-K-Frame-Circuit-Breakers/

(National) Honda Odyssey recall ties 900,000 minivans to fire risk. Honda announced a recall of around 900,000 model year 2005 through 2010 Odyssey vehicles due to an issue that could cause the fuel pump strainer to deteriorate prematurely, creating the potential for fuel leaks. A temporary fix will be offered to customers until replacement parts can be made available during the summer of

2014. http://www.ksat.com/lifestyle/money/Honda-Odyssey-recall-ties-900-000-minivans-to-fire-risk/25004020

(National) GM recalls another 1.5 million vehicles. General Motors announced recalls for several vehicle models for various issues, covering a total of around 1.5 million vehicles. Model year 2008-2013 Buick Enclave and GMC Acadia, model year 2009-2013 Chevrolet Traverse, and 2008-2010 Saturn Outlook vehicles made up of the bulk of the recall, while Cadillac XTS, Chevrolet Express, and GMC Savana vehicles were also recalled.

http://money.cnn.com/2014/03/17/autos/gm-recall/

DEFENSE/INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

(Hawaii) Defense contractor pleads guilty to leaking secrets. A defense contractor living in Honolulu and working at the U.S. Pacific Command pleaded guilty March 13 in connection to willfully retaining and communicating national defense information to an unauthorized person. The contractor admitted emailing classified information related to joint training and planning sessions between the U.S. and the Republic of Korea to his girlfriend, who was in the U.S. on a student visa. http://khon2.com/2014/03/13/defense-contractor-pleads-guilty-to-leaking-secrets/

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Ohio) Ross County emergency communications disrupted following metal theft.

The Ross County Sheriff's Office radio repeater site in Ohio was broken into and several items were stolen, disabling a portion of the county's radio communications system March 18. Authorities are investigating the metal theft and the tower is out of service until it can be repaired. http://www.nbc4i.com/story/25011254/metal-theft

ENERGY

(Wisconsin) WPS shutting down Green Bay plant's oldest coal-fired generators.

J.P. Pulliam Plant Units 5 and 6 in Green Bay will be shut down, officials at Wisconsin Public Service Corp., stated March 12, as the result of an agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to repower, refuel, or retire older

units that produce high emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide. http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/article/20140312/GPG0101/303120372/ WPS-shutting-down-Green-Bay-plant-s-oldest-coal-fired-generators

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(Nebraska) Man dies in grain bin accident in Clay County city of Edgar. Fire crews and volunteers from Edgar, Nebraska, worked March 11 to remove corn from a grain bin where a man became trapped and died while scooping corn. http://www.omaha.com/article/20140312/NEWS/140319572/1707

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Ohio) Four men accused in food-stamp fraud that funneled funds overseas.

Four men were charged in connection to submitting claims for \$670,612 in federal benefits from food programs over the course of several years through the Halane Market convenience store in Cleveland. The men are accused of illegally allowing customers to redeem benefits from food programs in exchange for money, certain goods, and credit toward wire transfers to foreign countries. http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2014/03/four_men_accused_in_food-stamp.html

(National) IRS: Employee took home personal info on 20K workers. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) reported March 18 that an employee took home a computer thumb drive containing personal information of about 20,000 IRS workers, former workers, and contractors. The agency's inspector general is investigating the potential breach. http://news.msn.com/us/irs-employee-took-home-personal-info-on-20k-workers

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(International) Google's public DNS hijacked for 22 minutes. Network monitoring and routing security company BGPmon reported that attackers were able to hijack Google's public DNS service for 22 minutes March 15 via a Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) attack. Networks in Brazil and Venezuela were affected.

http://news.softpedia.com/news/Google-s-Public-DNS-Hijacked-for-22-Minutes-432502.shtml

(Washington) Copper thieves take Wash. radio station off air. Police are investigating after thieves stole copper wire from an antenna belonging to KLOG 1490 AM Keslo and took the station off air for nearly 12 hours March 12. http://www.ktvb.com/news/regional/250473401.html

(New Mexico) Internet outage leads to arrest of alleged Carson burglar.

Authorities arrested and charged a man in connection to stealing five industrialsize batteries from a TasoNet Internet service tower in Carson, New Mexico, March 5 and causing a 2 day service disruption.

http://www.taosnews.com/news/article_15932266-aafd-11e3-8f63-0019bb2963f4.html

PUBLIC HEALTH

Nothing Significant to Report

TRANSPORTATION

(Georgia) FAA investigate broken wing on Delta flight. The Federal Aviation Administration is investigating after a Delta plane flying from Orlando to Atlanta lost part of its wing mid-flight, but managed to land safely March 16. The aircraft stopped on the runway and was towed to the gate.

http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/story/24992421/faa-investigate-broken-wing-on-delta-flight

WATER AND DAMS

(Washington) Drilling in Wanapum Dam to determine cause of fracture; scramble to help fish and irrigators. Grant Public Utility District officials stated the week of March 10 that a contractor will begin drilling into a spillway at the Wanapum Dam in Washington to determine the exact cause of a fracture identified in a support pier for a dam spillway 2 week prior. http://www.oregonlive.com/business/index.ssf/2014/03/post 195.html

(Michigan) Firefighters respond to diesel fuel leak in Kalamazoo River; spill apparently caused by 'criminal act.' Diesel fuel spilled for more than 3 hours March 17 from an above ground tank at Klooster's Greenhouse in Comstock Township and into the Kalamazoo River. Authorities are investigating the apparent criminal act and measuring the exact amount of fuel that spilled after securing the leak.

http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2014/03/firefighters_respond_to_diesel.html

NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center: 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.

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